THE MINISTER OF PLANNING, THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKAR): (a) No, Sir. The comments and views of the State Government on the recommendation of the Jaswant Singh Commission in this regard have not yet been received.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) A decision in this matter could be taken only after the comments and views of the State Government have been received.

Exploration of shipwrecks sites

*298. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA:
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian Ocean is strewn with shipwrecks from the ancient and medieval times;

(b) whether Government's attention has also been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Statesman, dated the 19th October, 1987 to the effect that 210 underwater shipwreck sites are being explored near Bombay;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) whether any steps have been taken for the exploration of these shipwreck sites, which could throw more light on the maritime history of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) 210 shipwreck sites have been listed in the Indian waters.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The shipwreck sites listed have been collected from the marine records of State Archives of Bombay, Madras and Calcutta Wrecks are yet to be explored, but the preliminary survey in Goa and Tranquebar of Tamilnadu coasts reveal one shipwreck each. Systematic coastal survey is yet to be undertaken.

(d) Specific action plan in this regard is yet to be finalized.

कोर्ट फीस का समाप्त किया जाना

*299 श्री **सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** क्या **विधि और न्याय मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या लोगो को सुलभ और सस्ता न्याय दिलाने के उद्देश्य से सरकार कोर्ट फीस को समाप्त करने का विचार रखती है और यदि नही, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ख) क्या इस सम्बन्ध में सरकार को हाल ही मे कोई ज्ञापन प्राप्त हुआ है ; यदि हा, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

योजना मंत्री तथा कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री तथा विधि और न्याय मंत्री (श्री पी० शिवशंकर) : (क) जी नही । तथापि न्यायालय फीस के सुव्यवस्थीकरण का विषय, आम व्यक्ति पर इसके भार को कम करने की दृष्टि से न्याय सुधार के संदर्भ मे विधि आयोग के निर्देशाधीन है । इसके अतिरिक्त न्यायालय फीस (उच्चतम न्यायालय के मामले को छोड़कर) राज्य का विषय है और इस विषय मे राज्य सरकारो द्वारा विनिश्चय किया जाता है ।

(ख) जी नही ।

NAM draft on Namibia

*300 SHRI DINKARAO GOVIND RAO PATIL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the UN has okayed the NAM draft on Namibia and India

have offered assistance in the implementation of the plan; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) On the 30 October, 1987, the Security Council adopted resolution 601 on Namibia on the basis of the draft tabled by the non-aligned members of the Council. The resolution, *inter alia*, authorises the Secretary General of the UN to arrange a ceasefire between South Africa and the South West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO) and to take practical steps to station the UN Transitional Assistance Group (UNTAG) in Namibia as called for in the UN Plan. India has indicated its willingness to render all possible assistance in this regard.

Crash of helicopter carrying advance party of Home Minister

@1982. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:
SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:
SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an army helicopter carrying advance party of the Home Minister crashed near Ranchi, killing all its five occupants;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any inquiry has been conducted into the matter; and

(d) if so, what is the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) An Army helicopter carrying the following personnel:-

1. Maj Kulwant Rai, Pilot
2. Capt NG Gorti, Co-Pilot
3. Mr MP MITRA, IAS, PS to the Home Minister.
4. Sub Inspector SS Sekhawat, Security personnel to the Home Minister.
5. Constable Ram Chander, Security Personnel to the Home Minister.

crashed about 6 Kms away from Ranchi on 3.11.87. All 5 occupants were killed in the crash. The helicopter has become a complete loss. No damage to civilian property has been reported

(c) A Court of Inquiry has been ordered by the Army authorities as per laid down instructions.

(d) The Court of Inquiry is in progress

Amount allocated to states

1983. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated to the States during the Fifth and the Sixth Five Year Plan periods, plan-wise and State-wise details thereof;

(b) whether State Governments were able to utilise all the funds allotted;

(c) if not, the names of those States who where unable to utilise the funds and the reasons thereof;

@ Previously Unstarred Question 1074 transferred from the 17th November, 1987.